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LETTER DATED 22 SEPTEMBER 1995 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

According to reports by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, yesterday, 21 September 1995, seven Pale Serb war planes took off from Banja Luka airport and carried out an aerial attack north-west of the town of Bosanska Dubica. This bombing attack was confirmed the same day by the United Nations Spokesperson in Zagreb. Also on this day, from 10.27 to 12.30 local time, Pale Serb planes bombed the village of Arabus and parts of Bosanski Petrovac which are under the control of the Army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Cluster bombs were used in these attacks.

Today, at 7 p.m. local time, Pale Serb forces launched four "Orkan" rockets with cluster bombs at the city of Zenica. All four of those rockets hit the centre of the city in the immediate vicinity of the Turkish Battalion headquarters. According to the first information available, one woman was severely wounded.

The Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina considers these actions by the Pale Serbs to be not only a violation of United Nations resolutions and conventions banning the use of prohibited weapons, including cluster bombs, but also a continuation of the terrorization of the civilian population of our country.

In these times of intensified efforts by the international community towards reaching a peaceful solution for the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, these criminal acts directly endanger the prospects for peace. The Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina requests the Security Council to undertake all necessary measures to halt these acts of aggression and terrorism by the Pale Serbs.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

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